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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Critique of IDEALIST/TACKLE Mission C178C

A critique of IDEALIST/TACKLE Mission C178C was held in the OSA Control Center on 30 October 1968, with representatives of the Offices of Scientific Intelligence, Elint and Special Activities in attendance. During the critique several items requiring further action or investigation were surfaced. These items, the suggested office of primary responsibility, and in some cases preliminary action taken, are listed below:

1. System 21, the GCI traffic in 10 channels requires three weeks for translation. OEL indicated there was a continuing problem with little chance for correcting as translating is very time consuming. This item has been previously investigated.

2. If, during operational missions, the IFF could be turned off sooner, the impulses recorded on the System 17 tapes would be lessened and it would enable the analysts to evaluate the tapes much more rapidly. Operations will study this recommendation since there is a trade off in benefits gained or lost.

3. Stretch video is not recorded on System 6 (except on System 17 missions) during Oscar Sierra activity. Boxes are being modified at the present time at [REDACTED]. A decision is required to determine if it would be beneficial to ship one of these modifications to [REDACTED]. Action: Avionics/Materiel. Following actions have been taken:

a. [REDACTED] to notify Headquarters if stretched video could be recorded on non-System 17 missions.

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b. [REDACTED] indicates stretched video could be recorded in lieu of P1 or P2 Band if so desired. No wiring changes are required in Articles.

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Distribution:

- #1 - D/SA
- #2 - D/O/OSA
- #3 - D/M/OSA
- #4 - AVD/OSA
- #5 - SAS/OSA
- #6 - IDEA/OSA
- #7 - COMMO/OSA
- #8 - INTEL/OSA
- #9 - OEL
- #10 - OSI
- #11 - Holdback
- #12 - RB/OSA

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